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NOTE FOR DISTRIBUTION

FROM : NIO for Narcotics

SUBJECT: Narcotics Warning Assessment

Attached is the assessment prepared on the basis of the Community views expressed at the 18 October warning meeting.

You or your representative are invited to attend the next warning meeting scheduled for 1400 hours, Thursday, 18 November, in Room 7 E 62, CIA Headquarters. Please provide your representative's name and clearances to by COB 17 November.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : National Intelligence Officer for Warning

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SUBJECT : Narcotics Warning Assessment

The following items were discussed at the 18 October warning meeting.

I. Warning -- [] described Admiral Murphy's interest in a
SIGINT Collection Plan. NSA completed work on a three stage plan on 13
October. []

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Collection Implications -- How can we be sure that this use of
these traditional intelligence tools is working? [] will make
an assessment in January []

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II. Regional Developments

A. Jim Haas of the Coast Guard underscored the importance of
knowing routes of trafficking. The Coast Guard also wants information on
links between arms smuggling and narcotics and terrorism and narcotics.
Knowledge of trafficking routes helps establish interdiction strategies.
Is there a way to make broader intelligence use of the Coast Guard's
knowledge of trafficking modus operandi?

Collection Implications -- Most Coast Guard narcotics cases are
shared with EPIC in El Paso. Thus the information is being collected, but
is it being used? Several representatives who have not visited El Paso
plan to do so.

B. [] of CIA described research planned for FY 83.
Analysis of financial flows is a gap. []

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Proposal. Should we stage a conference on financial flows in order to pool knowledge and build on a similar seminar held two years ago? Dave Gries will review findings of the 1980 seminar and make a concrete proposal on whether to continue, alter or drop the seminar concept. A working group instead of a conference might be a better mechanism.

C. NIO reported on the expected formation of an interagency intelligence committee [redacted]

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III. Plans for Interagency Work -- [redacted] reported on the two topics his committee recommended for national intelligence estimates: first, a total look at Colombia, including production, host government attitudes, financial flows, and trafficking patterns; and second, a worldwide heroin production estimate. [redacted] suggested that a total look at the Bahamas would be worthwhile.

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IV. Regional Policy Issues -- Jon Wiant of State reported on the October conference in Rome. The agenda incorporated "the view from Washington"; and accounts of narcotics trafficking in the Mediterranean area and in the Near East-South Asia (about which little is known).

V. Collection Implications -- [redacted] the IC Staff reported on the National Humint Collection Plan assessment seminar held last week. Collection objectives were narrowed and several agencies agreed to increase the priority of their efforts.

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